

## Message Text

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ACTION EUR-12

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EO 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PFOR, SZ  
SUBJ: ELECTION OF SWISS PRESIDENT

1. FEDERAL COUNCILOR WILLI RITSCHARD ELECTED BY  
PARLIAMENT DEC 7 TO SERVE AS PRESIDENT OF SWISS  
CONFEDERATION FOR ONE YEAR.

2. RECOMMEND MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS FROM  
PRESIDENT CARTER ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:  
QTE YOUR EXCELLENCY: CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR  
ELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF THE SWISS CONFEDERATION.  
THE PEOPLE OF THE US JOIN ME IN EXTENDING TO YOU  
AND TO THE SWISS PEOPLE OUR BEST WISHES ON THIS  
OCCASION UNQTE.  
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## Message Attributes

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